MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

SALEM

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

MILLS' RIVER CHURCH,

HENDERSON COUNTY,

NORTH CAROLINA,

SEPTEMBER 3---5,

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PROCEEDINGS.

MILLS' RIVER, SATURDAY, SEPT. 3, 1870.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by G. S. Jones. Text: Rev. 1 : 8.

After a recess of 30 minutes, the delegates returned to the house. Hymn:—

My God, thy service well demands the remnant of my days.

Prayer by A. J. Corn.

R. T. Jones and A. H. Pinkerton were appointed reading clerks.

W. Haynes was requested to preach at the arbor.

Read letters from the following churches, and enrolled delegates' names.

FRENCH BROAD.—D. B. Nelson, D. King, J. N. Morgan, R. H. Lewis, N. Bowen.

ASHEVILLE.—T. Stradley.

HOMINY.—E. Morgan, P. R. Young, W. P. Clarke, J. Wilson Morgan, J. W. Starns, L. Y. Israel.

BEAR WALLOW.—J. B. Freeman, P. M. Freeman.

BEULAH.—J. W. C. Blythe, J. W. Blythe.

BOILSTON.—J. C. Owenby, George Fowler.

HOOPER'S CREEK.—James Garren.

SALEM.—J. R. Garren, J. E. Young.

BENT CREEK.—W. W. Wells.

BEREA.—J. H. Stradley.

LIBERTY.—Cary Maxwell, Wm. E. Jackson, J. T. Laughter.

CANE CREEK.—Wm. Lankford, J. Ashworth, J. Garren, A. H. Pinkerton.

AVERY'S CREEK.—W. E. Lance, M. K. Lance, J. Ingram.

EBENEZER.—A. J. McMinn.

MILLS' RIVER.—E. M. Anderson, J. H. Gillespie, S. Whitaker, W. R. Whitaker, M. Rickman.

MUD CREEK.—R. T. Jones.

Enon Church petitioned for membership, without letter, from Transylvania Association. This church was refused a letter last year, without a reason being rendered. Delegates; A. W. Beck, C. L. Osborne, R. B. Williams.

Proceeded to elect T. Stradley Moderator, and N. Bowen Clerk.

Invited correspondents. Received from

Tuckasiege.—A. Haynes, W. Haynes.

New Found.—J. Reed.

G. S. Jones took a seat as Sunday-school missionary.

A. J. Corn accepted a seat as a visiting minister from Transylvania Association.

Elected the following ministers to preach on Sabbath:

G. S. Jones, N. Bowen, E. M. Anderson.

Committees appointed by the Moderator:

Religious Execises.—Pastor and deacons of Mills' River Church.

Finance — J. R Garren, J. P. Morgan.

Church Letters.—N. Bowen, E. Morgan.

Agreed that the Committe on Religious Exercises make arrangements to have a Mass-meeting Sabbath afternoon.

On motion ordered that the collection to-morrow be applied to Home Missions.

Brethren C. L. Osborne, and A. J. McMinn obtained leave of absence. Adjourned to Monday morning 9 o'clock. Sung two stanzies of hymn:

"My God permit me not to be."

Prayer by E. M. Anderson.

SABBATH.

In the forenoon E. M. Anderson and N. Bowen preached to a large and well ordered congregation. The afternoon was occupied in a Sunday-school Mass-meeting.

Monday Morning, 9 O'Clock.

Prayer by P. R. Young.

U. Owenby, A. W. Morgan, delegates from Broad River Church, presented a letter and took seats.

Read and approved minutes of Saturday's proceedings.

A motion to hold the next Anniversary of this body with Liberty Church. An amendment was offered to strike out liberty, and insert Hominy. On motion, referred the question to the following

committee: J. R. Garren, E. Morgan, R. T. Jones, Cary Maxwell, S. Whitaker, who recommended the next session of this body to be held with Liberty Church, Saturday before the first Sabbath in September, 1871, 11 o'clock A.M. Adopted.

Elected D. B. Nelson to preach the next Introductory Sermon, and E. M. Anderson alternate.

Read and adopted the report of Committee on Church Letters.

Appointed correspondents:

New Found.—G. S. Jones, T. Stradley. W. W. Wells, W. E. Lance, J. T. Laughter, R. T. Jones.

French Broad.—G. S. Jones, R. T. Jones, P. R. Young, D. B. Nelson, J. R. Garren, T. Stradley.

Transylvania.—R. T. Jones, A. W. Beck, D. King, E. M. Anderson.

Tuckasiege.—P. R. Young, E. M. Anderson, E. Morgan.

Green River.—W. E. Jackson, A. W. Morgan, A. W. Beck, G. S. Jones, S. Whitaker, W. R. Whitaker, J. T. Laughter.

Tiger River.—W. Lankford, R. T. Jones, D. B. Nelson, N. Bowen.

On motion, increased the contribution for Minutes, by collection on the floor, to twenty dollars and twenty cents.

Appointed the following delegates to the Convention:

E. M. Anderson, P. R. Young.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the church letters find, on examination of the same, the following:

ENON.— Nothing of importance.

MUD CREEK.—No Sabbah-school. Nothing of interest.

MILLS' RIVER.—Has had a refreshing revival. Sunday-school suspended.

EBENEZER.—Has been much refreshed by a recent revival. Does not report a Sunday-school.

AVERY'S CREEK.—Nothing of interest except a Sunday-school of some promise and a library of 90 volumes.

Cane Creek.—Has a Sunday-school which they say has been much neglected.

Liberty.—Nothing of interest.

Berea.—The Sunday-school is not so large as heretofore, but still prosperous. They have a monthly prayerm-eeting, and a missionary society; besides the young men have a prayer-meeting every Sabbath evening.

Bent Creek.—Nothing of interest.

Salem.—Has a flourishing Sunday-school. Five Sunday-school scholars were baptized during the year.

Hooper's Creek.—Nothing of interest except the Sabbath-school.

Boilston.—Has a healthy Sunday-school.

Hominy.—Has enjoyed a refreshing revival. Has a well ordered Sunday-school. Many of the scholars have professed faith in Christ.

Beulah.—Sabbath school suspended.

Bear Wallow.—A well attended Sabbath-school.

Asheville.—Has been able to finish their house of worship, but yet worship in the basement, the contractor not having given possession. Sunday-school small.

French Broad.—Has paid to Home Missions $26,40. Has a very flourishing Sunday-school, and an organized colporture society through which it has distributed 506 pages of tracts, 18 numbers of Cottage Visitor, 3 *Biblical Racorders*, 14 *Child's World*, 8 Testaments, 1 Bible, 1 Book of the gospel.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we recommend, as a good religious newspaper, the Cottage Visitor, published by Brother N. Bowen, near Hendersonville, at **$1,50** *per annum*, and request our ministers and delegates to labor to introduce it into every family in our bounds.

D. B. Nelson.

Resolved, That we earnestly beg our churches to take a greater interest in the Sunday-school cause, and give us a full statement of their work in this respect,—state the number of conventions, if any.

We desire that the churches send more delegates, in order that we may become better acquainted, and may cultivate more brotherly love for each other, and do more for the Master.

We hope to see stated on your church letters next year, that every church in the bounds of this Association has a large and flourishing Sabbath-school, and a well attended weekly prayer-meeting.

ROB'T. T. JONES.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to the good brethren and sisters, and friends, for their kindness and hospitality during the session of this body. ROB'T T. JONES.

Resolved, That we hereby express our thanks to an All-wise Providence, and all in attendance, for the peace and harmony which has prevailed during our meeting at this place.

ROB'T T. JONES.

Adjourned to time and place agreed upon.
Prayer by the Moderator.

T. STRADLEY, Mod.

N. BOWEN, Cl'k.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS.	PASTORS' SALARY	POST OFFICES	Sab. Meeting....	Baptized.....	Rec'd by Letter	Restored.....	Dismissed.....	Excluded.....	Dead.....	Total.....	Contribution.....	NUMBER IN SABBATH SCHOOL
Broad River,	W J. Willkie,	$ 00	Bear Wallow.		5	2	0	0	1	1	106	$ 60	
Hominy,	E. Morgan,	46 00	Turn Pike,	1	22	8	1	7	3	0	130	2 00	75 schol's 80 v's
Ebenezer,	N. P. Corn,	00	Hender[illegible]vile	3	22	6	0	0	0	0	108	1 00	
Enon,	A. W. Beck,	00	Day'ons River		2	4	0	4	10	0	73	1 00	
Cane Creek,	W. Lankford,	00	Fair View,	4	20	10	0	6	6	0	131	1 00	
Avery's Cre'k	I.M. Roebuck	00	Avery's Cre'k			2	0	2	1	0	61	1 00	40 schol's 90 v's
Mud Creek,	N. Bowen,	00	Henders'nv'le	4		6	0	4	5	5	48	65	
Berea,	T. Stradley,	50 00	Swannanoa,	4	1	2	0	2	0	0	54	1 00	
Bent Creek'	E. Morgan,	00	Asheville,	4	2	1	0	2	3	1	35	50	
Hooper's Cr'k	A. J. Corn,	00	Shufordville,	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	38	1 00	
Liberty,	" "	00	Edneyville,	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	59	1 00	
Salem,	N. Bowen,	00	Shufordville,	3	7	6	0	6	0	1	121	1 00	50 schol's
Boilston,	E M Anderson	00	Boilston,	2	3	2	0	3	5	0	66	1 00	
Beulah,	E J Mu'lena'x	00	Bowm'n's Bl'f	1		0	0	0	0	1	54	00	
Bear Wallow,	W. J. Willkie,	00	Bear Wallow,		3	3	0	5	1	0	54	50	
Asheville,	T. Stradley,	00	Asheville,	1 2 3		1	0	6	0	1	22	1 00	
Mills' River,	E M Anders'n	00	Mills' River,	3	24	9	0	1	4	1	138	1 15	
French Broad	N. Bowen,	52 50	Henders'nv'le	1	7	5	1	0	0	4	75	75	60 schl's 150 v's
Henders'nv'le		00	"				0	0	0	0	28	00	
Total.....					120	60	2	50	39	15	1373	$16,15	

Hendersonville was not represented this year.

Last year's statistics are given.

J. Henderson